UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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MAUREEN McPADDEN * 1:11-cv-475-SM
* January 26, 2016

vs. * 1:32 p.m.

WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP *

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<u>DAY 4</u> AFTERNOON<u>SESSION</u>

TRANSCRIPT OF JURY TRIAL
BEFORE THE HONORABLE STEVEN J. McAULIFFE

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1	PROCEEDINGS				
2	(IN OPEN COURT - JURY PRESENT)				
3	THE COURT: Mr. Kaczmarek.				
4	MR. KACZMAREK: Thank you, your Honor.				
5	<u>CROSS-EXAMINATION</u>				
6	BY MR. KACZMAREK:				
7	Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Kulwicki.				
8	A. Good afternoon.				
9	Q. A few questions for you. You indicated				
10	earlier that part of your job responsibilities is				
11	to provide advice. To whom do you provide advice?				
12	A. To to normally to the operators, to the				
13	market well, market directors or district managers,				
14	they're called now, or the regional directors.				
15	Q. You used the term operators. What does that				
16	mean?				
17	A. It's a designation in Walmart of those folks				
18	that are responsible for implementing the execution of				
19	the strategies of within the stores.				
20	Q. Does it include store level employees?				
21	A. No.				
22	Q. So someone like a market health and wellness				
23	director would be considered an operator?				
24	A. Yes.				
25	Q. And a regional health and wellness director				

1 | would be considered an operator?

2 A. Yes.

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- Q. But not a pharmacy manager?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And when you provide advice, are operators required to follow your advice?
- 7 A. No.
 - Q. And I think you testified earlier that your practice is not to ask about whether -- when discussing whether someone should be held accountable or coached for something, your practice is not to ask whether that person is engaged in any kind of protected activity?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And why don't you ask about whether the person is engaged in protected activity?
- A. I don't want -- I don't want my decision to
 be biased in any way. I want it to be based on the
 infraction.
- Q. So if you don't know that the protected activity has occurred, that protected activity can't influence your decision?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And I think you testified that in the course of your job responsibilities that you're familiar with Walmart's personnel policies?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And how are those policies made available to associates at Walmart?
- A. They're electronically on our intranet, which is called the Wire. It's also available through what's called WalmartOne, where they can access it electronically from a home computer also.
- Q. And I think you testified that in 2012, when Ms. McPadden received a skip-level coaching, that you were covering approximately a thousand stores; is that right?
- 12 A. Yes, uh-huh.
- Q. And do all those -- did all of those stores have pharmacies?
- 15 A. Yes. Yes.
- Q. And is one of the -- there's been some testimony in this case about a policy called the Coaching for Improvement policy. You're familiar with that?
- 20 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Okay. I'm showing you what's been marked as
 Defendant's Exhibit F. Do you see that?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you recognize that document?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. What is it?
- 2 A. That is the Coaching for Improvement policy.
- Q. And there's a -- there's a date at the top.
- 4 | What's that date?
- 5 A. July 19th, 2010.
- Q. Okay. And if you go down on this first page,
- 7 | there's a reference to a verbal coaching and then a
- 8 written coaching and then something called a
- 9 decision-making day.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Were those the steps in the Coaching for
- 12 | Improvement policy at that time?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And did those change at some point?
- 15 A. Yes, they did.
- Q. And what did the verbal coaching change to?
- 17 A. A first written.
- 18 Q. And what did the written coaching change to?
- 19 A. A second written.
- 20 Q. And what did decision-making get changed to?
- 21 A. A third written.
- 22 Q. And when those terms were changed at Walmart,
- 23 | did it affect any existing coachings that had been
- 24 issued?
- 25 A. They changed the terminology.

- 1 So if someone had received a verbal coaching Q. 2 at Walmart, did that verbal coaching automatically get 3 changed to a first written coaching? 4 Α. Yes. Q. And did a written coaching automatically get changed to a second written coaching? 6 7 Α. Yes, that's correct. And that was for all Walmart associates? 8 0. 9 Α. Yes. 10 Now, when an associate at Walmart is coached, Q. 11 is it required that you have a witness attend the 12 coaching? 13 Α. It's recommended, yes. 14 Q. And who can witness a coaching? 15 Any member of management. Α.
- Q. And who can -- when you terminate someone?
- 17 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. Do you also have to have a witness?
- 19 A. It's recommended, yes.
- Q. And who is it -- who can attend a termination meeting as a witness?
- 22 A. Again, any member of management.
- Q. So it doesn't have to be a member of the human resources department to witness a coaching?
- 25 A. No.

- Q. And it doesn't have to be a member of human resources to witness a termination?
 - A. No.

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- Q. I'd like to show you what we've marked as

 Defendant's Exhibit M. Do you recognize that document?
- A. Yes, I do.
- O. What is it?
- A. It's Walmart's Open Door policy.
 - Q. And the jury's heard a little bit of testimony about the Open Door. Can you just describe in general terms for the jury what the Open Door is?
- A. The Open Door is Walmart's vehicle, I guess,
 to allow associates to express any concerns or -- or
 to -- it's not only concerns, it's any ideas or
 suggestions that they might have for the company. But
 it's used many times for situations that they -- they
 feel that need to be rectified in some way.
 - Q. And does the Open Door policy apply to health and wellness employees?
- 20 A. Yes, it applies to all associates.
- Q. Next I'd like to show you what's been marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 66. Do you recognize that?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And what is it?
- 25 A. That's Walmart's discrimination and harassment

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- Q. And that policy applies to all associates at Walmart?
 - A. Yes, it does.
 - Q. If a Walmart associate wants to report perceived discrimination or harassment or retaliation, how would they go about doing that?
 - A. They should bring it to the attention of any member of management. And if they don't feel comfortable talking to someone in person, they can -- there's a 1-800 number that they can call that goes right into Bentonville.
- Q. And I'm going to show you the second page of this exhibit. And you see under Reporting Procedures, there's a reference to a Global Ethics Office?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you see that? What's that?
- A. That's the division that would investigate any ethics complaints, any concerns that -- that anybody has that would call the ethics hotline to report.
- 21 O. And there's a 1-800 hundred number here?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Is that the number for the ethics hotline?
- 24 A. Yes, it is.
- 25 Q. And aside from this policy, how else are

- 1 associates made aware of the existence of the ethics 2 hotline?
 - A. There should be a poster in every store
 that's -- I guess it's been hung in different places,
 but by the time clock or the break room, sometimes in
 the training room -- where associates have visibility to
 it.
 - Q. In the course of your job duties, do you sometimes receive reports from other departments within Walmart?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. Do you sometimes -- there's been discussion in this case about HRSS. Do you know what that stands for?
 - A. Health -- Human Resource Shared Services.
- 15 Q. And what do they do?
 - A. They do a number of things. For health and wellness, they do -- review and approve all leaves of absences for our pharmacists and vision center managers; they take different complaints, wage and hour complaints, any -- any concerns along that line, too.
 - Q. Does HRSS ever send you information regarding employees who are coming back from a leave of absence?
- A. I do not -- they send -- they send information to the market -- well, to the market director, to the immediate supervisor, gets a -- an e-mail. I sometimes

1 | see them, but not -- not -- not on a routine basis.

- Q. So if you had seen one of those report -you've seen at least some of those reports --
 - A. Yes --
- Q. -- at times?
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- Q. And do those reports -- what's in those reports?
 - A. What's in the report?
- 10 Q. Yes.
- 11 A. It's -- it's a record of when they received a

 12 request for a leave of absence, when they approved it,

 13 the dates that it's approved for, whether it's a paid

 14 leave or an unpaid leave, how that leave is classified,

 15 et cetera.
 - Q. And do you remember being asked some questions earlier by Attorney Irwin about whether you were aware that Ms. McPadden had, in fact, taken a leave of absence? Do you recall those questions?
- 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, if you had received a -- one of those reports during the time period when Ms. McPadden was on leave, would it have identified Ms. McPadden by name?
 - A. Yes, it would.
- 25 Q. And if you had read that, would that have made

- 1 you aware that, in fact, she had taken a leave of absence?
- 3 A. Yes.

- Q. As you sit here today, do you actually have a memory of having reviewed such a report?
- A. No, I don't.
 - Q. Is it possible that you did?
- A. I -- you know, right now I have about 3,000
 management associates I'm responsible for, so I don't
 get into the details of those unless there's an issue
 with one.
- Q. But you don't recall there being any kind of issue with Maureen McPadden's leave of absence?
- 14 A. No, I do not.
- Q. I'd like to show you what was marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 67.
- Plaintiff's Exhibit 67, those are pages from a notebook, correct?
- 19 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 20 Q. And that's in one of your notebooks?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And on the second page of Exhibit 67, there's that two-line reference to the conference call that we talked about -- that you talked about with Attorney Irwin. Are these your only notes regarding

- that conference call? 1 2 Α. Yes. And prior to that conference call where you 3 0. 4 talked about Ms. McPadden, had you ever heard of a 5 pharmacist at Walmart losing their pharmacy key? Α. 6 No. 7 Q. And you have no memory of Joseph Certo being on that phone call, correct? 8 I do not. 9 Α. You were also asked a few questions about 10 Q. 11 Andy Tau, so I'd like to show you what we've marked as 12 Plaintiff's Exhibit 82. 13 So as you testified earlier, Plaintiff's 82 is 14 comprised of two e-mails, correct? 15 Α. Yes. 16 And the bottom e-mail is from Lurene Riel and Ο. 17 it's to you and to Pamela DeChellis. 18 Α. Yes. 19 Do you know Ms. DeChellis? Q. 20 Α. Yes, I do. 2.1 Q. And in -- and she's a Walmart associate? 22 Α. Yes.
- 25 A. She was covering for Heather McCaffrey while

In December of 2013, what was Ms. DeChellis's

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1 Heather was on maternity leave.

- Q. Now, you testified earlier that at some point after this e-mail exchange you had a telephone call with Ms. Riel. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And is it your memory that at the time you had that phone call with Ms. Riel that she had already issued the coaching to Mr. Tau?
 - A. That's my memory, yes.
- Q. And you have no reason to believe that

 Joseph Certo was involved in the decision to coach

 Mr. Tau, do you?
- 13 A. No.
- MR. KACZMAREK: Thank you very much.
- THE COURT: Any redirect?
- MS. IRWIN: Yes, thank you, your Honor.

17 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

18 BY MS. IRWIN:

- Q. Ms. Kulwicki, Attorney Kaczmarek was talking
 to you about your memory of whether Ms. McPadden -whether you knew Ms. McPadden had been on a leave of
 absence before. You were the one who put that knowledge
 into a sworn statement in this case and that's why I was
 asking you about it.
- So even though you -- you made a sworn

- 1 statement that you were aware of it, now you're not sure 2 if that's actually the case, right?
 - A. No.

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- Q. Okay. And you've testified that you -- you don't believe you had been made aware of anyone -- any pharmacist losing a key before Maureen McPadden, right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. But even a year later, in 2013, you didn't remember that Maureen McPadden had lost her key when you were first faced with the issue for Mr. Tau, right?
- 11 A. That's correct.
 - Q. So you really wouldn't know what the issue is unless you looked it up because you don't have a very good memory because you handle so many employees?
 - A. Is that a question? I'm sorry.
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. And what was the question?
- Q. Even -- even a year after Ms. McPadden, you didn't remember that there had been a pharmacist who'd lost her key and properly reported it, right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And even though Walmart has a lot of policies that talk about prohibiting discrimination and other things, you can't make the operators of -
 operators obey the law all the time despite these

1 policies, and you -- that's your understanding, right? MR. KACZMAREK: Objection. 2 THE COURT: Well, sustained, relevance. 3 Q. Despite all of Walmart's policies, it has been 4 your experience that the operators do not always follow the law out there in the field? 6 7 MR. KACZMAREK: Objection. THE COURT: Overruled. Yes, that goes without 8 9 saying in any practice, correct. 10 Q. You can answer. Okay. So I can't -- I can't guarantee that 11 Α. 12 everything is done perfectly by the 1.2 million people 13 that are employed by Walmart. 14 Q. Sure. Just one moment, please. 15 Ms. Kulwicki, I believe you testified 16 that you recall being involved in the coaching with 17 Ms. McCaffrey, but you didn't recall Mr. Certo being on the call? 18 19 That's correct. Α. 20 Q. And before the break you were telling me 2.1 that you weren't actually a decision-maker; you just

- Q. And before the break you were telling me
 that you weren't actually a decision-maker; you just
 give advice. And, in this case, you gave advice to
 Ms. McCaffrey, who made the decision, right?
 - A. Yes.

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Q. I'd just like to draw your attention to

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    Exhibit 11, which are the interrogatories -- the court
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    interrogatories in this case. And I'll just represent
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    these are written questions that Walmart is asked to
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Objection, your Honor.
              THE COURT: What's the -- are you using it to
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              MS. IRWIN: I'm just doing this as a --
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              THE COURT: -- refresh her memory, what?
              MS. IRWIN: Yes.
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              MS. IRWIN: Well, the first thing is she was
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    involved in these interrogatories, and the second thing
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    not a decision-maker --
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              THE COURT: Show her the document, ask her if
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    she recognizes it --
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              THE COURT: -- ask if it refreshes her
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              MS. IRWIN: Your Honor, I believe --
              THE COURT: You can't just read it to her.
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              MS. IRWIN: Sure. Okay. So first I just
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    was involved in answering that.
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              THE COURT: That's the customary way of doing
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              MS. IRWIN: Sure.
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              THE COURT: -- and asking if they recognize
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    what it is.
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              MS. IRWIN: Let me just get one more copy so I
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    can give her the whole packet.
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              Ms. Kulwicki, could you please turn to
    interrogatory number 14. It's on -- starting on page 14
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    and going to page 15.
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    question and the answer -- and let me just give you a
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    moment to do that. And tell me when you're done.
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              Okay. So my first question --
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              Your Honor, this is a full exhibit in the
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1 case. THE COURT: Okay. 2 3 MS. IRWIN: So am I allowed to put it on the 4 ELMO? 5 THE COURT: Certainly. MS. IRWIN: Okay. Thank you, your Honor. 6 7 Okay. So first looking at the question, Q. Ms. Kulwicki, you'll agree that the question was to --8 9 asking who made the decision to coach the plaintiff two levels for not being able to account for the pharmacy 10 11 key. Do you see that? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Okay. And then looking at the answer -- I'll 0. 14 just ask you, does it refresh your memory or otherwise 15 change your testimony when you see that Walmart has 16 listed that it was you and Heather McCaffrey who 17 determined that based on the defendant's policies and 18 application thereof, the plaintiff's loss of the 19 pharmacy key merited a two-level coaching and then at 20 the end it says, Ms. Kulwicki and Ms. McCaffrey's 2.1 decision was communicated to Mr. Certo for purposes of 22 implementation. Do you -- do you agree with Walmart's 23 24 statement under oath? 25 MR. KACZMAREK: Objection. She can first ask

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    whether it refreshes her recollection and then --
              MS. IRWIN: Okay. I'll break it up.
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    Certainly, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: It's okay. Overruled. You can
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    answer.
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              I don't see what the inconsistency is because
    Heather and I did confirm -- confer. We had a
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    discussion. I made the decision to advise her that a
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    skip level was appropriate or I would support a skip
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    level, and she agreed.
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         Q. Okay. And you understand there's nothing in
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    that answer that talks about advising and accepting or
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    anything like that, right? There's nothing in that
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    answer that says that?
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              No, it does not.
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              MS. IRWIN: All right. Thank you.
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              THE COURT: Any more based on that?
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Nothing further.
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              THE COURT: Thank you, Ms. Kulwicki. You may
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    step down. You're excused as a witness.
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              THE WITNESS: Thank you.
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                        (Witness excused.)
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              THE COURT: You may call your next witness.
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              MR. FRADETTE: Thank you, your Honor.
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               I'd call Dr. Craig Moore, your Honor.
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              CRAIG MOORE, having been first duly sworn,
    testified as follows:
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated.
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    spell your last name.
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               THE WITNESS: My name is Craig Lawson Moore,
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              THE COURT: Good afternoon.
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               THE WITNESS: Good afternoon, your Honor.
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    BY MR. FRADETTE:
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              Dr. Moore, I'd like to ask you a few
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    questions.
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              First, you've been retained by the plaintiff
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    to do an economic analysis of her damages; is that
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    correct?
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              And what is your educational background?
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    Science degree in economics from West Virginia
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              MR. KACZMAREK:
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              THE COURT: ID may be stricken on 69, 70, 71,
    72 and 73.
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              admitted.)
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                             Thank you, your Honor.
              MR. FRADETTE:
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              Dr. Moore, what's been marked as Plaintiff's
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    Exhibit 70, which is an Appendix A to your report, is
    that your curriculum vitae?
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    you studied to get your degrees.
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    West Virginia University as an undergraduate and then
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    got a scholarship to Syracuse University, where I spent
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    the next six years studying both economics and
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    statistics and taught as a teaching assistant and
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    worked as a research assistant.
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Upon completing my doctoral work, I was automatically given a master's degree because it's subsequent theory, and then I joined the faculty at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst in the fall of 1972.

Q. So have you lectured abroad?

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- A. Yes. I've lectured and lived abroad at a number of universities in Sweden, Ireland, England, Holland, Poland, Russia. A number of places, yes.
- Q. And I should have asked this, but how long -- when did you get your degree and how long have you been doing this?
- A. I received my Ph.D. in 1972 and I worked at the university until the end of December 2003 when I took early retirement. And during those 30-plus years, lectured and taught, had administrative duties. I was chairman of the finance department for 12 years. I ran the MBA program and designed it. I established the operations management program at the school.

I worked for two different presidents as special assistant to them, both David Knapp and William Bulger, for a number of years. I was senior policy advisor to them and to the board of trustees.

Q. And have you published scholarly articles on the subject of economics and statistics?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And does this CV reflect --
- 3 A. Yes.

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- Q. -- those various publications?
- A. Yes, it does.
- Q. We won't go through them all, but the jury will have these available.

And in your publications, do the -- did it include economic analysis of damages for plaintiffs in employment cases such as this?

- A. In one journal article I do and most of the other things where I've addressed that it's been material published by Massachusetts continuing education for lawyers, continuing legal education.
 - Q. And have you won any awards?
- 16 I've won a number of awards over the years Α. 17 for -- the chancellor's award for university 18 advancement; faculty service award for the school 19 management. I won professor of the year given to me 20 by the Massachusetts Telecommunications Council, and in 2.1 1997, I was made a chaired professor by the board of 22 trustees, which is the highest level of honor you can 23 get within the university.
 - Q. Okay. And when did you first begin testifying as an expert?

A. Around 1973.

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- Q. Can you just give us an example of the different courts that you've testified in as an expert in cases like this?
- A. I've testified in most of the federal and state courts in the Northeast, New England, and around various parts of the country as well, even in Australia.
- Q. Okay. And what types of cases are you retained to testify in?
 - A. Most of the cases I testify in have to do with economic damages arising from personal injury, wrongful death, employment discrimination, or business disputes.
- Q. Do you have a sense for how many times you've testified in a court?
 - A. A large number. It's been 43 years. It's been well over a hundred times. I lost count a long time ago.
 - Q. Sure. Do you do other types of consulting and what does that involve?
 - A. I do economic research and I do management consulting. In the last eight years, I've been focused mostly on working with various states around the country on the crisis with the shortage of nurses and nursing workforce. As a matter of fact, this Friday I'll be up in Maine signing a contract to do a large study for nine

- 1 months for the State of Maine on building a big model of 2 the nursing workforce.
 - Q. Okay. Do you also give presentations regarding economic damages?
 - A. Yes, I -- sure.
- Q. Do you advertise for your services as an expert?
- 8 A. No, I don't.
 - Q. Do you do cases for both plaintiffs and defendants?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. Do you use the same methodology in terms of analyzing the facts for -- the economic facts for both of the plaintiff and the defendant?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. How much time is involved in working for clients involved in litigation?
- About -- it's varied. As my career has 18 Α. varied, my responsibilities have varied. Both at 19 20 the university and following my retirement at the 2.1 university, I also was in charge of running Marox 22 Corporation for four years. During that period of time 23 when I was running the company, I did less. Since I 24 stepped away from that, I've done more. Currently, 25 probably 60 percent of my time is involved in

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- Q. And it's fair for us to conclude you're being paid for your services here today?
 - A. I certainly hope so.

MR. FRADETTE:

Q. I'd like to have the witness recognized as an expert, your Honor, economic expert.

8 THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. KACZMAREK: No objection, your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Witness may give

11 opinion testimony.

MR. FRADETTE: Thank you.

- Q. When did you first become involved in the McPadden matter, approximately?
- 15 A. Oh, it was last spring, I think.
- Q. Do you recall what you were asked to do?
- A. I was asked to take a look at what the
 economic damages were arising from her termination at
 Walmart in November of 2012.
- Q. And do you recall what documents you relied upon in doing your economic analysis?
- A. I reviewed a lot of documents, but the ones
 that I relied upon were the Charge of Discrimination
 that she filed on April 18th, 2013; her tax returns for
 the years 2009 through 2013; W-2 statements from CVS,

- CVS CareMark, for her for 2014; W-2 from her employers 1 2 for 2013; CVS human resources report dated August 26th, 2015; CVS payroll records of weekly hours and earning 3 4 for 2015; statements of earnings from CVS for the period ending September 12th, 2015; pay stubs from CVS for the 6 reported period ending December 19th, 2015; records of 7 the plaintiff's 401(k) account at Walmart and CVS; information from you, from the plaintiff's counsel, 8 9 regarding the claims in the case, background, and information from public sources that are published, 10 11 such as interest rates and other kinds of economic data.
 - Q. And did you actually -- do you recall actually having a telephone interview with Maureen?
 - A. Yes, I -- I did interview Ms. McPadden by telephone. I didn't meet her in person, but had conversations with you involved on them, too.

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- Q. And did you get a sense for how long she had intended to work at Walmart had she not been terminated?
 - A. My -- from what she told me, she had intention to work until retirement, as long as she could.
 - Q. Did you make that assumption in your economic analysis?
- A. Not exactly. What I assumed was that she had the opportunity to work until age 67, which is what more and more people are doing because that's when social

security is maximized and when other financial factors influence people's retirement decision.

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- Q. And before I ask you details about the analysis, I'd like you to define some concepts for the jury. And you just mentioned one, opportunity cost.
- A. Opportunity cost is a concept in the discipline of economics that has to do with what something is worth to you in the future. If you lose an opportunity, if it's taken away from you, the question is what is it valued at.

We value opportunities all the time. In the stock market, if you go out -- you pay a premium to buy stocks on options in the future. You pay a premium on it to have that opportunity. You may give someone a premium on a piece of land to keep the option open to buy it for the next two years if you're a real estate developer. There are lots of things in life where we value opportunities. In economic damages, that -- the value of the opportunity that's lost is the value of the damages.

- Q. Okay. And earnings capacity?
- A. Earnings capacity is the measure of that opportunity cost where someone loses employment. So if I want to know what someone's lost opportunity cost is, I want to know what they could have worked, what their

capacity was; not necessarily what would have happened, but what they had the opportunity to do. In other words, if they took full advantage of that opportunity, what was their capacity to earn. And if they garnered all of it, what would that have given them, what would have been the fruits of that opportunity that was taken away.

Q. And the concept of present value?

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A. Present value has to do with the time value of money. Let me explain that by giving you an example.

Suppose I had a new granddaughter born today and I wanted to put aside \$20,000 for her first year in college 18 years from now. I wouldn't have to put \$20,000 in the bank today. I'd only have to put an amount in the bank today or invest that amount of money plus the earnings on it, the interest on it, the returns on it, would equal \$20,000 18 years from now. The amount I'd have to put in the bank or invest is the present value of that \$20,000 in the future, which is called the future value.

- Q. Okay. And you prepared what's been marked as Plaintiff's Number 69. You prepared an economic report in this matter, right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And, actually, this is updated through today,

which includes Maureen's 2015 earnings, right?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. All right. And the jury will have this full report. And did you prepare some tables to help explain the computation used in analyzing economic damages in this case?
- A. Yes.

- Q. Would you please explain each of the numbers in the tables? And perhaps it's best here to begin with the first table, Exhibit 71, Table of Earnings. And if that's --
- A. Table 1 is simply a summary of Ms. McPadden's earnings from 2009 through 2015, both at Walmart and then during a temporary job that she had in 2013 and at CVS then in 2014 and '15 working for CVS.

You'll notice that in 2012, the number has an EST after it. That's an estimate. It's based on what her W-2 was during 2012 for the first 11 months. She was terminated in November. So for that -- what she could have earned during that or would have been expected to earn for the 12 months, I took a look at what her average increase had been between 2009 and '10, 2010 and '11, and took that average increase and added it to 2011 to estimate what one would reasonably expect 2012 to be for all 12 months, rather than just the 11.

- And that's the \$132,988 that's listed there.
- Q. Okay. And in these computations, did you
- 3 consider any unemployment benefits that she may have
- 4 received?

- A. No.
- 6 Q. And why not?
- 7 A. Because there's a lien placed against those
- 8 | and she'll have to pay those back. She will not receive
- 9 that money.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you have an opinion to a reasonable
- 11 degree of economic certainty as to the present value of
- 12 | Maureen's economic damages in this case?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And, just tell me, is that Table 2?
- 15 A. Well, I think it might be helpful to break it
- 16 | up in two parts.
- Q. Okay. Go ahead, please. I'll just follow
- 18 | your lead.
- A. Why don't we go through Table 2 and then
- 20 Table 3.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. Table 2 depicts what's called back pay, which
- 23 | means how much she's lost from the time she was
- 24 | terminated until now. Actually, until December 19th,
- 25 | 2015. That's the latest date I have numbers for.

And it shows what her prior earnings would have been expected to be based on that estimate that I did for 2012. You'll notice I have not increased that number. I've not given her a raise for cost-of-living or merit or promotion or anything. I've left it flat, which is the most conservative thing you can do in this sort of analysis.

earnings that she made during those years, which are from Table 1, and simply subtracted the two to show how much she's lost in terms of that opportunity from the time she was terminated until December 19th, 2015. And that equals \$164,093. So that's part one of her damages, the past.

- Q. I've learned that you can actually -- and you can do this, too, by the way -- you can touch the screen. And that 164 would be back pay?
 - A. Back pay, which it says right up there.
- 19 Q. Oh, there you go. Thank you. That's much 20 better.
- 21 And then Table 3?
- 22 A. Yes.

Q. Table 3, which is marked as Plaintiff's
Exhibit 73 -- and this one, I guess, is marked Lost
Future Earning Capacity.

A. Here we're dealing with damages going forward. Ms. McPadden is not earning as much money now as she did when she worked at Walmart. There's a gap. The question is how big is that gap, how long will it last, and what's the consequences of it in terms of the opportunity she has lost by being terminated.

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The chart starts in 2016, which is January 1st of -- coming up, in this year. Her age and what she would have earned at Walmart. Again you'll notice I have not increased that by the cost of living, which is important going forward. And I'll explain why in a minute.

Then what her expected pay will be going forward at CVS in her current employment situation and then subtracting the two, which is \$36,197 a year less at CVS than she was making at Walmart.

all the way to age 67, you can see that in the last column. That cumulative loss keeps adding up. So that by the time she gets to her 67th birthday -- and that's when that last row ends; you'll notice the number's smaller. It's because it does it at the end of the year and it's on her birthday. She retires at age 67, when she turns 67. The total possible potential loss for her over those years in the future is \$558,392.87.

You'll also notice there's a column to the left of that that says Present Value. That's not the future amount she'll actually lose. It's the amount in each year that would have to be invested to make monthly payments to make up that net loss. The way we do that is we use what's called a discount rate. And the discount rate that I use is called a Treasury Inflation Protected Security, TIPS. You can buy these yourself through the market if you want. The way they work is this way.

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The United States Government would sell you a bond. That would give you a particular stated yield on it, which really is determined in an auction in the marketplace by investors. They offer you that security, and it's for different time horizons -- for five years, seven years, ten years, 20 years, 30 years. At the end of that time horizon, they'll pay you the interest that they said they would, but on top of that, they'll also reimburse you for any inflation that took place. It protects you 100 percent against future inflation.

So you'll notice in Table 3, I hadn't increased any of Ms. McPadden's future earnings by the cost of living, which is inflation, and that's because I've discounted them with a guaranteed rate that offsets it. So it's a wash. We don't have to speculate about

- 1 | what inflation might be in the future, how fast her
- 2 | income could have grown or would have grown. We keep it
- 3 | all in present -- present value, the dollar today, and
- 4 | the United States Government quarantees that that will
- 5 be the value when it comes due.
- Q. The methodology that you've just described and
- 7 | that you used in analyzing Maureen's economic damages,
- 8 is that a usual and customary methodology in the
- 9 discipline of economics?
- 10 A. It is for people who are economists trained in
- 11 | finance, yes.
- 12 Q. All right.
- A. And it's the highest -- it's kind of the gold
- 14 standard.
- 15 Q. I see. And it's accepted by your peers and is
- 16 | relied upon in your discipline?
- A. Oh, yes. I've testified to it many times in
- 18 | court.
- MR. FRADETTE: May I, your Honor, just a
- 20 moment?
- 21 THE COURT: Certainly.
- 22 Q. The -- you've captioned that Lost Future
- 23 | Earnings Capacity. Is that also referred to as front
- 24 pay?
- 25 A. Yes, it is.

- Q. All right. So the back pay was from the date of termination to essentially the end of 2015?

 A. Yes.
 - Q. And front pay is from 2016 to the date of retirement?
- A. Yes. And so the total damages are the sum of those two numbers.

8 MR. FRADETTE: Okay. Thank you, your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Kaczmarek?

MR. KACZMAREK: Thank you, your Honor.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

12 BY MR. KACZMAREK:

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- Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Moore. How are you?
- 14 A. Good afternoon.
- 15 Q. I'd like to ask you a few questions about
- 16 Appendix -- excuse me -- Table 3, which I'm going to put
- 17 on the ELMO.
- 18 A. Sure.
- 19 Q. Table 3 to your report assumes that
- 20 | Ms. McPadden will or intends to retire when she hits
- 21 | age 67, correct?
- 22 A. She has the opportunity to work until age 67,
- 23 | not that she'll definitely retire then.
- Q. Well, your calculations run through the moment
- 25 | when she turns 67?

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- Q. And you chose that date because that's when social security kicks in?
 - A. That and other reasons. There -- most of the studies about people retiring today, given the financial situation we're all in, people are working longer, retiring later, and it's a question of opportunity.

 It's opportunity cost. It's not what she necessarily -- she might decide to retire earlier or later. I mean,

 I'm an old guy, in my 70s, and I'm still working, so ...
- Q. Did you ever specifically ask Ms. McPadden when she intends to retire?
- A. To the best of my recollection when we were talking, she said she had no definite plan to retire but would continue to work.
 - Q. It's something she hadn't decided yet?
- 17 A. Pretty much, yeah.
- Q. You mention in your report that -- on page 1
 of your report that Ms. McPadden left Walmart for a
 period of time to work at another pharmacy.
- 21 A. Yes, she did.
- 22 Q. And --
- 23 A. That's my understanding.
- Q. Sure. And that's -- all you know is based on the information that you received from Ms. McPadden and

her attorney?

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- A. That's correct.
- Q. And it's possible that she could leave CVS at some point in the future; she could get another job?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you based your calculations in Table 3 under the Walmart column, that's essentially the earnings that she was receiving when she last left Walmart, correct?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And you certainly did not -- as you testified,
 you certainly did not build in any cost-of-living
 adjustments, correct?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. And on the CVS column, that's based on her current -- most recent earnings at CVS?
 - A. Her most recent earnings at CVS.
- Q. And in an attempt to sort of compare apples to apples, if you will, you did not build in any increases for cost of living in your CVS column?
- 21 A. That's correct. I treated them both equally.
 - Q. I understand. And it's certainly possible that Ms. McPadden could get a promotion at CVS?
- A. It is. The -- the key ingredient here, though, is that by having to leave Walmart and go to

- 1 | work for CVS, she lost seniority, she lost advantages
- 2 | she would have had. And to make those up, it's unclear
- 3 how. And if she left CVS to take a job with another
- 4 | pharmacy, she would be at a disadvantage entering again.
- 5 | So there is this gap that one would reasonably expect to
- 6 exist for some period of time.
- Q. Do you understand that Ms. McPadden is currently working as a floater pharmacist at CVS?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Do you know whether she's ever applied for a position as a staff pharmacist at CVS?
- A. I believe that she has, and she's hopeful that she will be assigned to some kind of a store.
- Q. And do you have an understanding as to whether if she becomes a staff pharmacist, she would actually earn more than she currently earns as a floater pharmacist?
 - A. That's not my understanding.
- 19 Q. You think she would be paid the same?
- 20 A. About the same.
- Q. Do you think she would have more assigned
 hours to her as a float -- as a staff pharmacist than a
 floater pharmacist?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And if she's being paid at the same rate, but

- was making more -- working more hours, she might earn
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 - A. She might.

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- Q. Do you know how CVS sets its salaries for staff pharmacists or floater pharmacists?
- A. In my experience it varies, depending on where they are and what part of the operation.
- Q. Do you have any specific experience with how CVS sets the compensation for staff or floater pharmacists in New Hampshire?
- 11 A. Not in New Hampshire, but I've been involved 12 in other CV -- cases where CVS has been involved in 13 those states.
 - Q. And did you represent CVS in those cases?
- 15 A. No.
 - Q. Did you have access to data regarding how CVS sets compensation for its staff pharmacists?
 - A. I had salary schedules of -- of staff

 pharmacists and regional managers in various positions

 within CVS, how they were set.
 - Q. Based on that information, do you know whether if Ms. McPadden became a staff pharmacist she would be eligible for any sort of incentive compensation?
 - A. I'm sorry?
- 25 Q. If Ms. McPadden became a staff pharmacist

1 at CVS, would she be eligible to receive any form of 2 incentive compensation above and beyond her regular 3 wages? 4 Α. She may. You're not sure? Q. She might. 6 Α. 7 MR. KACZMAREK: Nothing further. Thank you 8 very much, Mr. Moore. 9 THE WITNESS: Thank you. 10 THE COURT: Any redirect? 11 MR. FRADETTE: Just a couple questions, your 12 Honor. 13 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 14 BY MR. FRADETTE: 15 You mentioned that she had seniority at Q. 16 Walmart, some 13 years' seniority at Walmart. That has 17 value? 18 That's very valuable, sure. 19 And you also mentioned that if she were to Q. 20 leave -- well, she had to leave Walmart, so she lost 2.1 that 13 years' seniority? 22 Α. Yes. 23 0. And if she has to start again, if she should

lose CVS, she'd again be starting over?

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- 1 CVS earnings, there'd be approximately \$3,000 more per 2 year that would be added to the damages?
 - A. Over those 15 years, yeah.
- Q. So you took the most conservative approach in estimating her damages?
 - A. Yes. And there's a reason for that.
- 7 Q. Okay.

- A. The -- it goes back to our definition of
 earnings capacity. She demonstrated that she had the
 capacity to earn that much. And rather than take a low
 ball figure based on the most recent year, I took a
 figure that showed what her capacity was to earn, which
 is the -- the appropriate thing to do.
- Q. And Mr. Kaczmarek also asked you about incentive compensation. Maureen received bonuses at Walmart?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. She also received stock options or benefits,
 19 correct?
- 20 A. She had opportunity to get -- to buy stock.
- 21 Q. And that -- those benefits inure to the 22 employee based on seniority or do you know?
- 23 A. I don't know precisely.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. I assume the longer you're there, the more

1 options you have for benefits.

- Q. All right. So --
- A. That's typical. I don't know specifically for Walmart.
 - Q. And, similarly, with respect to what you were testifying to about income, it -- it's beneficial -- the more years you have invested in a company that your compensation package and benefits would be better?
- A. Typically.

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MR. FRADETTE: Nothing further. I'm sorry.

THE COURT: Anything else, Mr. Kaczmarek?

MR. KACZMAREK: Yes, your Honor, very briefly.

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. KACZMAREK:

- Q. Mr. Moore, looking again at Plaintiff's 73, again, this is based on the expectation or understanding that Ms. McPadden would continue to work for Walmart through the time that she reaches the age of 67. And it's certainly possible that if she was working for Walmart that the store that she was working at could close and she could lose her job, correct?
- A. Yes, but that has nothing to do with the analysis.
- Q. Correct. That's not -- it was not a factor in your analysis.

- 1 Α. No, because we use opportunity cost, not 2 expectation of, you know -- in this kind of analysis where you're trying to determine the value of the 3 4 opportunity, you do not discount it. Things like illness, early death, unemployment, that's not part of the methodology. 6 7 Ο. It's not part of the methodology --Α. 8 No. 9 Q. -- because those are things you can't predict. Not only you can't predict it, it doesn't give 10 Α. 11 you an accurate value for the opportunity. 12 Because you just never know if the store might Q. 13 close or if she might get a job somewhere else? 14 Α. Doesn't matter if it does. It's a question of what the opportunity were. 15 16 But those are certainly things that could Q. 17
 - happen?
 - Α. Sure, those things could. She could also buy a lottery ticket and win a million dollars. You don't know what's going to happen.
- 2.1 MR. KACZMAREK: Sure.
- 22 Thank you.

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- 23 THE WITNESS: You're welcome.
- 24 MR. FRADETTE: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- 25 THE COURT: Thank you, Dr. Moore. You may

step down. You're excused as a witness. 1 THE WITNESS: 2 Thank you, your Honor. 3 THE COURT: Call your next witness. MR. KACZMAREK: May we approach, your Honor? 4 5 THE COURT: Certainly. 6 (AT SIDEBAR) 7 MR. KACZMAREK: Your Honor, it's my understanding that they intend to call Ms. McPadden's 8 9 boyfriend or former boyfriend. To the extent that he's 10 being called to reinforce Ms. McPadden's testimony 11 regarding her emotional distress, we ask that he be 12 barred from doing so. She's already testified 13 unrebutted and had -- regarding her emotional state. 14 She's also had her doctor testify regarding it. It's 15 unnecessary. 16 MR. FRADETTE: Well, your Honor, I think it 17 is relevant -- it is relevant and necessary. He's a 18 layperson that is -- that observed what she went through 19 during the time that she was terminated, which was --20 you know, how she was before she was terminated, what 2.1 happened after she was terminated. 22 THE COURT: All right. How long? 23 MR. FRADETTE: I would expect him to be 15, 20 2.4 minutes. 25 THE COURT: Okay. Objection overruled.

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              MS. IRWIN: I was just asking if we can take
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              THE COURT: My list suggests you've pretty
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              MR. FRADETTE: Dave Kelly, right.
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    a brief witness, but he's a rebuttal witness to
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    Mr. Certo's testimony. And -- and our expectation is
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    that it would be a 15-minute witness. It's not going
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    call witnesses?
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    any witnesses, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: You're not calling DeChellis and
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Yeah, we listed them, and
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THE COURT: What's he for?

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MR. FRADETTE: Yeah, he's actually the
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Market manager, excuse me.
              MS. IRWIN: That's what Mr. Certo was.
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              MR. FRADETTE: Yeah, I understand it wasn't
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    working conditions at the store at the time. He did
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              THE COURT: What's he going to say?
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              MR. FRADETTE: Well, his dealings with
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    Ms. McCaffrey as a regional manager; that he has
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              THE COURT: No, no. I'm trying to get a sense
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              THE COURT: No, I was Certo. I was Certo.
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              MR. FRADETTE: Yeah, he's Certo. And he's --
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Exactly, your Honor.
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    morning quite strenuously that there had never been a
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    loss of a key before --
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              THE COURT: That she was aware of.
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              MS. IRWIN: -- and that she would have known.
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THE COURT: No.
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                               Come on.
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              MS. IRWIN: She did.
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              THE COURT: No, no, no, no.
              MR. FRADETTE: Your Honor, she did say --
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              THE COURT:
                          Even if she did say that, we know
    that that's not correct, right?
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              MR. FRADETTE:
                             Well, no. She said that -- she
    did say that she would know. She said that if --
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              THE COURT: What's the point you're trying to
    make, McCaffrey lied about the fact that she -- she
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    really did know that there were lost keys in the past
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    and she -- she's covering up the lost key because the --
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    what, the sanctions were somewhat lower or there were no
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    sanctions? What's the point?
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                         She was influenced by Mr. Certo,
              MS. IRWIN:
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    which we've, of course, learned --
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              THE COURT: No, no, no. He's not going to say
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          Kelly's not going to say that.
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              MS. IRWIN: No, no, no. But Mr. Kelly is
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    going to say in his experience, the reason you go to
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    regional, to someone like McCaffrey, is because
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    you're -- certainly if you're looking for a discipline
    that would be termination level. And obviously there's
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    been a big dispute in this case about why Mr. Certo went
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    to regional; did he know that it was going to -- if he
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could get a second level, it would get Ms. McPadden
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    fired? It's a huge issue in the case and there's been
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    testimony on both sides of the issue.
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              I mean, it's going to be a very short witness,
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    but he's pretty important.
              MR. KACZMAREK: Your Honor, unless he's
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    going to tie that information somehow directly to
    Joseph Certo, that Joseph Certo was aware of lost keys
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    in the past and how that process was handled; or he's
    going to testify that Ms. McCaffrey was aware of lost
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    keys and did nothing or imposed a different kind of
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    discipline, his testimony is completely irrelevant
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    because it did not influence either the true
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    decision-maker here, Ms. McCaffrey, or the alleged
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    bad actor, Mr. Certo. It's irrelevant.
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                             The other issue he testified --
              MR. FRADETTE:
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              THE COURT: No, I have to -- I mean, I can
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    sort of see your argument, I guess, maybe, but --
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              MS. IRWIN: He's going to be very short.
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              THE COURT:
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    awfully strained. I never understood your real point
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    about that.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: It's also never been disclosed
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    prior to this moment.
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THE COURT: Certo's the bad guy, right?

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getting -- have I got that right? He's the bad guy.
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    Okay. And I guess your theory is he somehow manipulated
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    the outcome by Kulwicki and McCaffrey and he did it
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    in two ways: One, he referred it up there, which is
    somehow probative of malice; and, secondly, he didn't
    disclose things that would be perhaps mitigating and
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    that discloses some sort of malice. But the basic
    question here is why did they fire her?
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                          And --
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              MS. IRWIN:
              THE COURT: And the people that fired her had
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    no idea that she had taken leave or claimed a disability
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    or anticipated leave in the future or was complaining
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    about safety or other violations or conditions in the
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    workplace. And so it's -- how did -- why is it --
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              MS. IRWIN: What we have -- first of all,
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    there have been --
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              THE COURT: And they both say he didn't say a
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    thing. He didn't -- I don't remember him saying
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    anything. So --
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              MS. IRWIN: Your Honor --
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              THE COURT: But let's assume he was wearing a
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    bad hat, and let's --
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              MS. IRWIN:
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              THE COURT: -- assume your strained theory of
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    causation has some merit. He apparently never
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    effectuated it.
              MS. IRWIN: Yes, he did, because --
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              THE COURT: How?
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              MS. IRWIN: Because we heard this morning from
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    Ms. McCaffrey that the first thing that happened is
    Mr. Certo e-mails her and she calls Mr. Certo. And in
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    that conversation, Mr. Certo tells her that Ms. McPadden
    did not take the matter seriously. That's why
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    Ms. McPadden -- Ms. McCaffrey goes into the conference
    call with Kulwicki thinking second level. She testified
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    this morning it was one of the two reasons why she
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    supported a second-level discipline. It came from
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    Mr. Certo. And it wasn't true. And --
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              THE COURT: And -- and just to stop you, your
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    theory then is because he told her -- assuming the jury
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    accepts that he, in fact, told her that she didn't take
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    it seriously, that swayed McCaffrey?
              MS. IRWIN: That's what she said. That's what
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    she testified to.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Your Honor, her testimony
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    was --
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              THE COURT: I'm giving you all that.
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              MS. IRWIN:
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              THE COURT: I'm just trying to figure out what
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    the link is.
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And that evinces a discriminatory animus
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    with respect to her having taken FMLA leave how?
              MS. IRWIN: Okay. So the animus -- and I know
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    we're going to go through this and I did ask for the
    break because I have to use the ladies' room, but I
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    believe that the case is --
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              THE COURT: Oh, I'm sorry.
              MS. IRWIN: -- that the cases would allow us
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    to say that the animus comes from Mr. Certo hearing her
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    safety concerns, viewing them as aggressive, viewing
    them negatively, not taking any concerns that she raised
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    and doing -- escalating it, not --
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              THE COURT: Plus FMLA leave, et cetera,
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    et cetera, all of it.
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              MS. IRWIN: -- not doing even an investigation
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    that he was trained to do and obligated to do. So we
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    get the animus. And being frustrated and expressing
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    frustration by -- both at the October meeting with
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    Ms. McPadden and on November 26th.
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              So we've got his -- the conduct --
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              THE COURT: And his means of executing --
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              MS. IRWIN: -- and his activity. And so then
    what does he do with it? What he --
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              THE COURT: He says --
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              MS. IRWIN: -- does with it --
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THE COURT: He says, I don't think -- I don't
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    think she took it too seriously.
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                          What he does with it is first he
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              MS. IRWIN:
    gets a peer's recommendation that doesn't do it, first
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    level. Okay? He goes and he reaches up to regional
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    when he doesn't have to. He doesn't tell them, as -- as
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    we saw with Ms. Kulwicki's exhibit today, someone who's
    advocating, as Ms. Riel did for Mr. Tau, says, oh, he
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    really looked, I checked with my peers, we all think
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    first level's appropriate.
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              He did none of that. What he did instead, not
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    only did he get -- not give the positive information --
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              THE COURT: Of course, he's not required to do
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    that, right?
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              MS. IRWIN: No, but we're looking at what
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    someone does --
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              THE COURT: You've presented it as he has an
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    obligation to do it.
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              MS. IRWIN: He does not have an obligation,
    but there's a huge difference. When you look at
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    Ms. Riel, who wants to -- to have a first level done,
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    that's how she does it. What does Mr. Certo does -- do?
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    He talks to Ms. McCaffrey and he tells her, ah, I don't
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    think she took it seriously. He supports the second
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    level, he gets her mindset on second level, and then a
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    second level is accomplished.
              So we have the -- the animus comes from the
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    earlier stuff; the action is information that he failed
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    to give and false information that he did give, which is
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    really quite a classic cat's paw, from my understanding.
              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Your Honor, I know
    Attorney Irwin needs to go to the bathroom so, I --
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              THE COURT: She does.
              MR. KACZMAREK: -- will be extremely brief.
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              Regardless of what all that was just said,
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    even if that theory is permissible, Mr. Kelly does not
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    fit in that theory based on the proffer that they have
    come forward with. So I believe it --
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              THE COURT:
                         He's apparently going to say, I
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    assume -- I assume -- something like, I'm familiar with
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    Walmart's practices and employment customs and you only
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    refer something like that up if your goal is to get more
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    severe discipline.
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              MS. IRWIN:
                          Enough to terminate.
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              MR. FRADETTE:
                             And he has been involved in
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    termination decisions --
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              THE COURT: And when --
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              MR. FRADETTE: -- and he has done --
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              THE COURT: What's his contemporaneous --
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              MR. FRADETTE: -- investigations.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: He was fired --
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              MR. FRADETTE: For a completely legitimate
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    reason.
              MS. IRWIN: Yes, but 2011.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: In 2011 --
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              MS. IRWIN: Yeah, right.
              MR. KACZMAREK: -- over a year before.
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              MR. FRADETTE: No, no, actually less
    than --
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Well, let's call it a year,
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    before --
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              MR. FRADETTE: We'll call it a year.
              MR. KACZMAREK: -- he was fired. So it's
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    completely irrelevant.
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              THE COURT: Let me think about it. And if you
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    have anything else before the jury comes in, we'll take
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    it up. Or after. Are you going to finish -- you're
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    going to finish your witnesses today, right?
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              MR. FRADETTE: Oh, absolutely. The next --
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    oh, I'm sorry. You're asking me?
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              THE COURT: Yes. You're going to finish in
    half an hour?
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              MR. FRADETTE: We will, your Honor. It will
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    be a short --
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1 THE COURT: Okay. We can take it up after 2 that. 3 (Recess taken from 2:45 p.m. until 3:12 p.m.) THE COURT: Judy's going to hand you a couple 4 5 copies each of the rough, rough -- stress rough --6 draft. It's overinclusive. And you know what we'll do, 7 since we're going to quit in a few minutes, is have a preliminary charging conference after the testimony and 8 9 do a brief -- meet again tomorrow morning and go over it again. But there's a lot to talk about there. 10 11 MS. IRWIN: Thank you. 12 THE COURT: When it says surviving claims, 13 though, that doesn't mean they've survived. I understand. 14 MS. IRWIN: It's just a heading. 15 THE COURT: 16 (IN COURT - JURY PRESENT) 17 THE COURT: All right. Ladies and gentlemen, 18 we're -- Mr. Fradette advises me that they have one 19 short witness this afternoon and then that's it. 20 is another witness who couldn't come today or yesterday, 2.1 so he's going to be here in the morning, which I think 22 is probably not going to be too long. So I think at 23 the moment my plan is we'll finish this witness tonight 24 and then I'll excuse you and then if you could come in 25 tomorrow morning at ten o'clock -- there's some

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administrative things we have to do with respect to
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    the jury instructions.
              So if you'd come in tomorrow at 10:00, we'll
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    finish that last witness and you'll probably have the
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    case tomorrow, I expect. Certainly you'll have closing
    arguments tomorrow and I expect you'll have the
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    instructions in the case tomorrow. That doesn't require
    you to decide it tomorrow, obviously, but we're on
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    schedule is the point. We'll have a brief afternoon
    tonight, late start in the morning, and we'll be good.
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              Mr. Fradette.
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              MR. FRADETTE: Kevin McDevitt.
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              THE CLERK: Please raise your right hand.
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              KEVIN McDEVITT, having been first duly sworn,
    testified as follows:
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated.
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              For the record, please state your name and
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    spell your last name.
              THE WITNESS: Kevin McDevitt. And it's
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    BY MR. FRADETTE:
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              Good afternoon, Mr. McDevitt. Is it okay if I
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    call you Kevin?
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Of course, yes.

- Q. And could you just state your residence, where you live.
- A. Bow, New Hampshire. Excuse me, Bow Street,

 4 Portsmouth, New Hampshire.
 - Q. Thank you.
- 6 A. A little nervous.
- 7 Q. When did you first meet Maureen?
- A. We met about 11 or 12 years ago.
 - Q. And what was that circumstance?
- 10 A. It was a blind date.
- 11 Q. So you've known her for approximately how many 12 years?
- 13 A. 11 or 12.

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- Q. When did you actually start dating?
- 15 A. Well, about five years ago.
- Q. And what were the personality traits that attracted you to Maureen?
- A. Well, you know, she was very confident,
 engaging, vibrant, smart, funny. She had a lot of
 remarkable qualities. I guess I didn't recognize them
 the first time we had our date, but I came around.
 - Q. And how did -- how is it that you met her again? Where was she working, do you remember?
- A. I know she was a pharmacist and -- but we were reintroduced again by friends and we thought that we

- 1 | were a good match.
- Q. Did you find her to be a -- pretty
- 3 | independent?
- 4 A. Yeah. I mean, she really was very
- 5 | well-rounded. She had her own home, she was, you
- 6 know, professional, you know, very attractive person.
- 7 Q. And what was your relationship with Maureen in
- 8 2012?
- 9 A. Well, we dated, you know, for about a year and
- 10 | then we fell in love and I asked her to move in with me.
- 11 Q. And approximately when was the date that you
- 12 | moved in or she moved in?
- A. It took about a month, but, yeah, actually, it
- 14 | was around Thanksgiving weekend that we finished the
- move.
- 16 Q. And that was 2012?
- 17 A. '12, yeah.
- 18 Q. You observed Maureen while she was working at
- 19 | Walmart as a pharmacist, right?
- 20 A. I did.
- 21 Q. Can you give the jury your observations of
- 22 | Maureen as a pharmacist? Was she proud of that
- 23 | position?
- A. Well, she was very serious about the
- 25 | profession. She was proud to be a pharmacist. You

- 1 know, if we went out for dinner the night before, she
- 2 | wouldn't drink. And she displayed a lot of compassion.
- 3 | She really cared about her patients or customers. I'm
- 4 | not sure what they say in pharmacy. But she really
- 5 | cared about them.
- Q. Did she appear to you to be dedicated to her
- 7 job at Walmart specifically?
- 8 A. Very much so. You know, I mean, again, if she
- 9 was on the next day, she more or less planned her meals,
- 10 her -- you know, she -- she limited activities the day
- 11 | before. She took it very seriously.
- 12 Q. Now, there was a day when she contacted you
- 13 | because she had accidentally lost her pharmacy key. Do
- 14 | you remember that day?
- 15 A. I certainly do.
- 16 Q. All right. So can you just tell the jury, the
- 17 | telephone call -- did you get a telephone call from
- 18 | Maureen?
- 19 A. I did. I was home at the time. She was in a
- 20 panic and asked me to look around for the key. I didn't
- 21 | find it.
- 22 Q. All right. That evening, did you -- did she
- 23 | come home and did you help her try to find that key?
- A. Yes. We were on a mission. We tore my house
- 25 apart; we went over to her house. It had, you know, all

- 1 | the markings of a house that had just been moved out of,
- 2 | a lot of trash bags, a lot of stuff that, you know, was
- 3 | going to go to the Goodwill and such. It was really
- 4 | torn up because we had just moved her over the weekend.
- 5 | So -- but we spent the better part of the night looking
- 6 | through trash bags and everything else that was there to
- 7 | see if we could find the key.
- 8 Q. So she took it -- the desire and the effort to
- 9 | find the key, she took it seriously?
- 10 A. Oh, yeah. She -- yeah. This was the only
- 11 | thing on her mind. We -- we were up late that night and
- 12 | I -- I went through her purse a couple times, she went
- 13 | through her purse a couple times. We -- we
- 14 | double-checked each other, you know, to see if, you
- 15 | know, we had overlooked it somehow.
- 16 O. All right. Now, I want to compare the Maureen
- 17 | before her termination and the Maureen after her
- 18 | termination. Can you just describe what your
- 19 observation was with respect to Maureen's -- say, her
- 20 demeanor after she learned that she'd been terminated?
- 21 | Did she call you?
- 22 A. She called me from the parking lot.
- Q. Where were you?
- A. I was at work.
- 25 Q. And was she crying? What was her --

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- And what was your -- what did you do? Q.
- You know, I -- I told her, you know, to --Α. that I would be home. I left work, I met her at the house, and, you know, I tried to console her. distraught, obviously, given this was a -- her career and it was over, pretty much, in her mind, you know, basically being fired as a pharmacist -- pharmacist. She basically felt like she lost her career.
 - Did you have an observation about her trying Q. to find work, her application for work?
 - Well, I mean, that was a mission that lasted Α. months and, you know, it was a tortuous experience for her because of her age and because of the circumstances of her leaving Walmart. It's kind of hard to explain to a prospective employer when you've been fired, you know. She was in doubt that anybody would rehire her, basically, because she -- she really felt her career in pharmacy might be over.
 - Ο. And did she -- eventually we know she finds a job approximately seven months later in the -- towards the end of July at CVS. Did you observe her to be looking for work during that entire period of time?
- Α. Every day. She was very diligent. She 25 checked -- and she looked at other careers. I mean, she

looked at anything and everything she could find to get back into a circumstance where she could earn a living.

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- Can you give us some appreciation for her distress or any changes in her appearance, her -- you know, the time that she wakes up in the morning, time she goes to bed, that kind of stuff, during that first year posttermination?
- Α. This -- this was the hardest thing I've ever witnessed, what she went through. It -- it was humiliating for her. She -- she tried to keep a 10 positive attitude and I tried to coach her and counsel 11 12 her as much as I could, but she was finding it difficult 13 to -- to be with family and friends and, you know, she just felt that she had let people down. And, you know, she -- her self-esteem was really under -- underwater. 15
 - She -- again, she worked really hard to find a job, but, you know -- you know, I would find her at two o'clock in the morning, sitting on the couch staring at the ceiling. She wasn't sleeping, she was -- she had, I would say, an eating disorder, she gained weight. She was miserable.
 - Did you try to kind of get her out of that Ο. funky state of feeling --
- 24 You know, I did everything I could, you know, Α. 25 to try to take her mind off of this, you know.

- 1 | she worked hard to get back into pharmacy. She even
- 2 | reapplied at Walmart, which I thought was the ultimate
- 3 | humiliation, but she saw an opening in the paper and
- 4 | literally tried to reapply, which they actually
- 5 | encouraged her to do, but they didn't even interview
- 6 her.
- 7 But be that as it may, it -- it took her
- 8 | months of interviews and she finally got a call from
- 9 CVS. That was a big day.
- Q. Did it impact, in your observations, her sense
- 11 of self-confidence and independence?
- 12 A. I'm sorry. What?
- Q. Did the termination and the fact that she got
- 14 | fired, did it impact her sense of independence and
- 15 | self-confidence?
- 16 A. Yeah. You know, I mean, she was --
- 17 | unfortunately, she had taken a lot of her savings and
- 18 | spent it on the house. She had done a new roof and
- 19 resided it. She had no savings. They were all
- 20 invested, reinvested, in her house. She was scared to
- 21 death about losing the house. She racked up credit card
- 22 debt, she -- she felt, you know, basically, like she was
- 23 | at my mercy because I was helping her out and it's a
- 24 | terrible position to be in, you know, to be -- I know
- 25 | she relied on her mom, you know, at times.

But -- so, I mean, she laid there, you know, at night, worrying about, essentially, you know, how to pay the bills, how to keep her credit rating, you know. It was very humbling.

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- Q. Did she end up selling the -- is it the Maine property that she had lived in before she moved in with you?
- A. Yeah, she immediately tried to -- she didn't want to sell the house. You know, we were just moving in together and she viewed that as kind of like a safety or parachute in case our relationship didn't work out and she didn't want to sell the house. She wanted to rent it. And so she went through a lot of different steps trying to rent it, Craigslist and newspapers and everything else, and got nowhere with that.

And I told her, I said, look, you're going to have to bite the bullet and sell this. I mean, the taxes, the monthly payment, the insurance, it was just -- it was -- the clock was ticking and she had to put it on the market. And finally she made that decision and -- yeah.

- Q. She sold it at -- do you know if she sold it at a loss or a gain or break even?
- A. You know, I don't know the exact numbers, but
 I can tell you that she sold it for a lot less than she

felt it was -- than her real estate agent told her it
was worth and what she originally listed it for. She -she basically fire-saled it to get it off her back.

- Q. Now, you have seen her since she went to work for CVS?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And have you made observations about the difference between working at the Seabrook store in one location as a staff pharmacist as compared to CVS now as a floater pharmacist?
- A. Well, you know, I guess the biggest difference is the -- the schedule. Essentially, she never knows from one week to the next where she's going to work or what -- how many hours she's going to work. It was impossible for us to make any kind of plans because she could get a call that night and say, come on in tomorrow.

So you know, from a -- the point of view of working for Walmart and then going to work for CVS, it really complicated our lives. I can tell you that. She was commuting as far as North Conway, she was working 13-hour shifts, which I -- I just, you know, couldn't believe. But she'd drive two hours to North Conway, work a 13-hour shift, and then drive home on Route 16 which, you know, to me was insanity. But what can you

do? You've got to take what they give you. So ...

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Q. Now, today. I'd like to bring it current and just if you could tell the jury whether the old Maureen is back or if there's some residual damages or residual lack of confidence or any residual impact to Maureen now that she's been terminated or after -- as a result of having been terminated.

MR. LAZAZZERO: Objection.

THE COURT: Overruled.

A. So I think it would be fair to say that this was a life-changing event for her; that she's lost her self-confidence in a big way. She lives in fear of losing her job. And she's lost her independence. She's lost her savings. She is never sure from one week to the next how many hours they're going to give her.

They seem to really like her, but, you know, there's a lot of young pharmacists out there and this was the biggest issue really when she was looking for work is there's so many kids graduating from pharmacy school now that will work for a lot less money than what a -- you know, an accomplished pharmacist would make that she knows that she's on the bubble and that, you know, her future is very insecure and she feels that way. It's something that she fights and she tries to maintain a positive attitude, but it's -- it was a

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    life-changing event for her.
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              MR. FRADETTE: All right. Just a moment, your
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              THE COURT: Certainly.
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              MR. FRADETTE:
                            Nothing further, your Honor.
              THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Kaczmarek.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: No questions, your Honor.
              THE COURT: All right. Thank you, sir. You
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    may step down and you're excused as a witness.
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                        (Witness excused.)
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              THE COURT: And do you rest?
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              MR. FRADETTE: Yes, your Honor, with the
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    exception of tomorrow --
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              THE COURT: Oh, I'm sorry. Yes, right.
              MR. FRADETTE: -- the additional witness
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    tomorrow.
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              THE COURT: Sorry.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: You're not resting?
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              THE COURT: No, no. He's not resting.
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              You're calling Mr. Kelly, right?
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              MR. FRADETTE: Yes.
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              THE COURT: All right, ladies and gentlemen,
    it's early, but we'll adjourn for the day. Tomorrow,
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    ten o'clock. Ten o'clock. Hopefully by then we'll have
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    all the work done we need to do. We'll have one
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witness, and I don't imagine it's going to take too long, and then after that we'll probably take a short break and have closing arguments after that, probably go right into the instructions, although they're a little long, so we'll figure that out tomorrow.

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Have a good evening and please don't discuss the case during the course of the adjournment.

(Jury excused.)

THE COURT: All right. With Mr. Kelly, you know, I -- I'm not sure your -- I don't know what your proffer is, really, but I think it's only fair to say I'll treat it just like I treated the motions in limine. You can call him, you can examine him, you can interpose objections as you think appropriate, and I'll rule on it as we go along.

But you're generally telling me that he was at the level of Mr. Certo and he's essentially going to say people in that position generally don't kick these things upstairs unless they're looking for termination, they can handle them on their own, he wouldn't have done that, there were other lost keys, I assume, and she did or did not know about it, maybe did, maybe didn't, but lesser discipline, never got up there, I guess.

MR. FRADETTE: Never got up there, your Honor.

THE COURT: Never got up there. Okay.

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                             So, your Honor, if I may --
              MR. KACZMAREK:
              THE COURT:
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                          Sure.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: If he's going to testify
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    regarding what -- his general belief that people only
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    kick things up to Heather Harris McCaffrey if they
    wanted to get her fired, I mean --
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              THE COURT: Well, hopefully they'll couch it
    in terms of a custom, practice, understood way of doing
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    business by whatever they are, direct market manager,
    direct --
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Market director.
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              MR. FRADETTE: Market director, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Market director. I was a market
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    director like him, this is the way market directors in
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    Walmart understand how to handle personnel matters.
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    It's sub rosa, but understood.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: If it's a practice, if it's a
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    policy, if it's something like that, that is one thing,
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    I suppose, your Honor --
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              THE COURT:
                          No, no.
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                             I certainly hope we're not
              MR. KACZMAREK:
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    going to hear testimony that it was my practice as an
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    individual to do things a certain way, because that
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    would be --
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              THE COURT: Well, it won't be now.
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              MR. KACZMAREK: Okay. Understood. Thank you,
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    Your Honor.
              THE COURT: Okay. No, obviously if it's -- if
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    it's a means of operation that is intended to manipulate
    a system, it obviously wouldn't be a formal practice or
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    custom of the company; it would be a custom and practice
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    of those who manipulate the company. Therefore, you
    wouldn't expect it to be formally adopted anyway, but --
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    I assume that's the idea, sort of, Attorney Irwin? Yes?
    At least give me that confidence that, yes, that's sort
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    of what you're thinking.
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              MS. IRWIN: Yes.
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              THE COURT:
                          Okay.
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              MR. FRADETTE: I think it's more than sort of,
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    but certainly it is our direction that we're going with
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    Mr. --
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              THE COURT: Okay. You might want to lay that
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    foundation a little early, rather than later, so that we
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    know where we're working from.
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              MR. FRADETTE: And he is -- he's been a
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    pharmacist for like 40 years and a market manager
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with -- he was with Walmart for ten years about.

THE COURT: All right. Why don't you come upstairs. You can take 10 or 15 minutes, but if you just come upstairs to one of the conference rooms, we'll

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    just do a quick -- not quick in that sense, a rough
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    charging conference. And then if any issues come up,
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    we'll have the opportunity to go over them again in the
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    morning. Why don't you guys come in at -- is 8:30 too
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    early for any of you?
              MR. KACZMAREK: 8:30?
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              THE COURT: 8:30.
              MR. FRADETTE: That works for me.
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              MR. KACZMAREK:
                             Okay.
                             That's fine.
              MR. FRADETTE:
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              THE COURT: Okay. So then 8:30 we can take up
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    any problems that we have and maybe find out anything
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    last minute so we get them prepared. And I expect we'll
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    give the case to the jury tomorrow?
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              MR. FRADETTE:
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              THE COURT: Good.
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              MS. IRWIN: So, your Honor, we're going to
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    your chambers in 15 minutes?
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              THE COURT: Just a conference room.
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    go -- when you get off the elevator, just --
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              MS. IRWIN:
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              THE COURT: -- go straight through. There's a
    conference room there.
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              MS. IRWIN: Okay. Thank you, your Honor.
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         (Proceedings adjourned for the day at 3:35 p.m.)
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